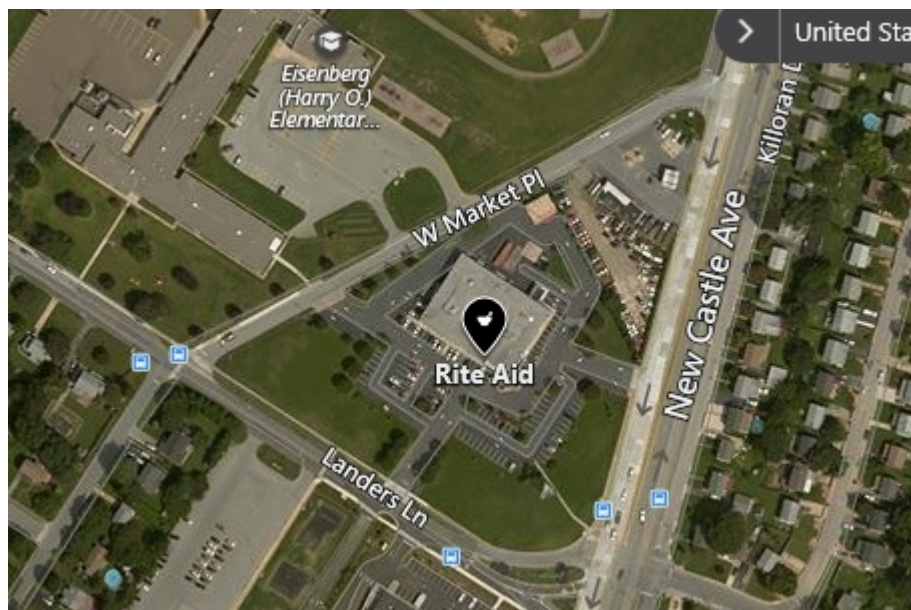


Troopers Investigating Pharmacy Robbery – New Castle



New Castle – The Delaware State Police are investigating the armed robbery of a New Castle area Rite Aid pharmacy that took place early Monday morning, in which a firearm was discharged.

The incident occurred at approximately 2:37 a.m., Monday, August 27, 2018 at the Rite Aid pharmacy, located at 2034 New Castle Avenue, New Castle. An armed suspect entered the business brandishing a handgun and confronted an employee at the sales counter. The employee then complied with the suspects demand for money by turning over an undisclosed amount of cash. After the employee provided the money to the suspect a struggled ensued between the two over possession of the firearm, at which time a round was fired in to the ceiling. After discharging the firearm the suspect fled the business via the rear door. There were no injuries as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a male, with a medium brown skin tone 6'2"-6'3", 230-240 lbs., wearing all black clothing, a black covering concealing his face and in possession of a

black semi-automatic handgun.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8566.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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